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OF THE
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Tuesday, 26 November 1957

Senator Symington:

Mr. Chairman, I thank the Director for saying that and I would like to also say he has been more frank with us than any civilian that appeared before our Air Power Subcommittee by far with respect to these dates. *

I emphasize the word civilian. That does not mean he has not been completely frank.

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***Re estimated dates concerning ICBM's**

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In 1953 what was the length, and I am not necessarily talking about a missile, I will say test vehicle, to be sure we understand each other, and I congratulate you, Doctor*, on your magnificent briefing this morning. . .

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***Doctor Scoville**

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I would like to say that I would be specially interested because of my confidence in the Director of the CIA. . .

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Senator Johnson:

I have not the slightest doubt but what the testimony given yesterday and today and tomorrow will be some of the most important, if not the most important, testimony ever received by a congressional committee; and I know, as you* speak and prophesy, that you are aware that the policy makers of this government rely on your evaluation and upon your judgment. . . .

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***Director of CIA**

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Senator Johnson:

Thank you very much, Mr. Director. You have been very thorough and very understanding, and I think more patient than one could expect, and we are grateful to you for the very excellent service that you have performed, and for the very cooperative attitude of all members of your staff.

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